

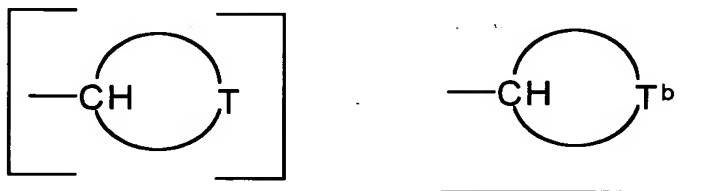
**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

On page 1, paragraph 1, appearing under the section "Cross-Reference to Related Applications" please replace with the following paragraph:

This application ~~claims benefit~~ is a divisional of U.S. Application Serial No. 10/336,767, filed January 6, 2003, which is a divisional of U.S. Application 09/915,342, now U.S. Patent No. 6,632,811, filed July 27, 2001, which is a divisional of U.S. Application No. 08/996,422, now U.S. Patent No. 6,635,632, filed December 22, 1997, which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) from ~~of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/064,851, which was converted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)(2)(ii) from U.S. Patent Application No. 08/780,025 filed December 23, 1996.~~

On page 87 paragraph 1, line 1-21 please replace with the following:

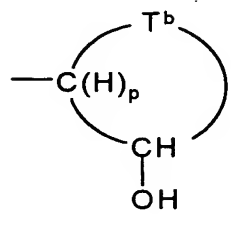
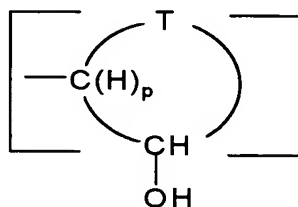
Preferred cyclic groups defined by W and  $-C(H)_pC(=X)-$  include cycloalkyl, lactone, lactam, benzazepinone, dibenzazepinone and benzodiazepine groups. In one preferred embodiment, the cyclic group defined by W and  $-C(H)_pC(=X)-$ , forms a cycloalkyl group of the formula:



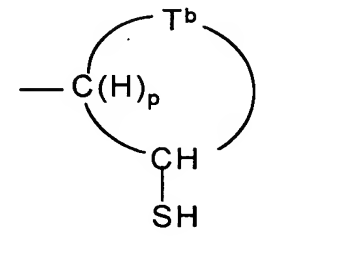
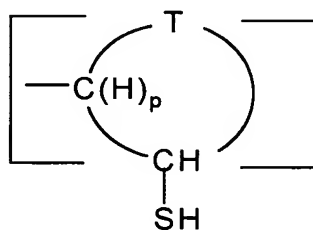
wherein [T]  $T^b$  is selected from the group consisting of alkylene and substituted alkylene.

On page 88, second full paragraph starting on line 8 through page 89, line 8 replace with:

In another preferred embodiment, the cyclic group defined by W, together with  $-\text{C}(\text{H})_p\text{C}(=\text{X})-$  is a ring of the formula:



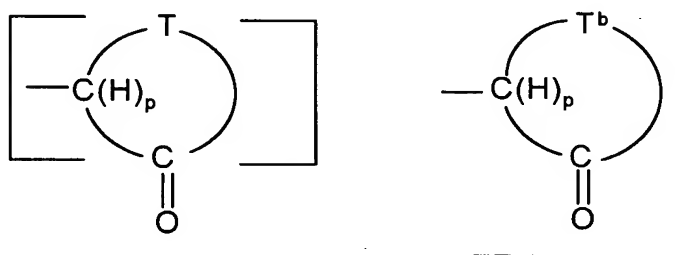
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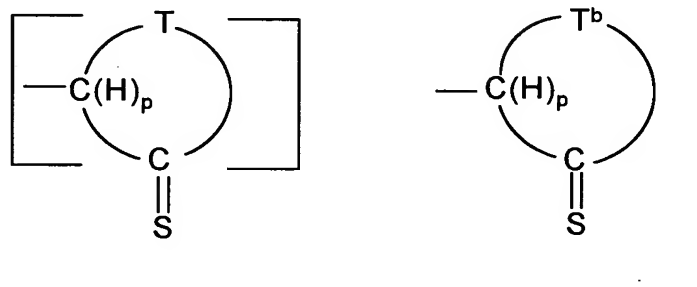
wherein  $p$  is zero or one,  $[\text{T}] \text{ T}^b$  is selected from the group consisting of alkylene, substituted alkylene, alkenylene, substituted alkenylene,  $[-(\text{R}^{21}\text{Z})_q\text{R}_{21}-$  and  $-\text{ZR}^{21}-$  where  $\text{Z}]$   $-(\text{R}^{21}\text{Z}^a)_q\text{R}^{21}-$  and  $-\text{Z}^a\text{R}^{21}-$  where  $\text{Z}^a$  is a substituent selected from the group consisting of  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{S}-$  and  $>\text{NR}^{20}$ , each  $\text{R}^{20}$  is independently selected from the group consisting of alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, substituted alkyl, substituted alkenyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic, each  $\text{R}^{21}$  is independently alkylene, substituted alkylene, alkenylene and substituted alkenylene with the proviso that when  $[\text{Z}] \text{ Z}^a$  is  $-\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , any unsaturation in the alkenylene and substituted alkenylene does not involve participation of the  $-\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , and  $q$  is an integer of from 1 to 3.

On page 90, second full paragraph starting at line 9 through page 91, line 10  
replace with:

Yet another preferred embodiment of the cyclic group defined by W, together with -  
 $C(H)_pC(=X)-$ , is a ring of the formula:



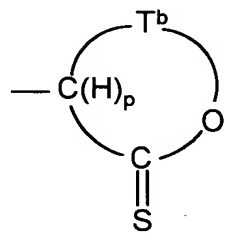
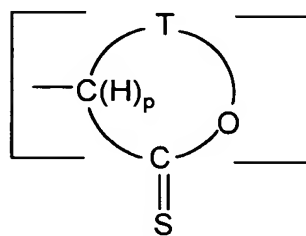
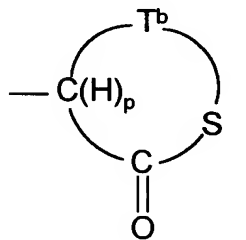
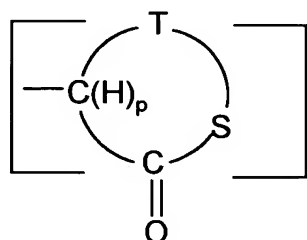
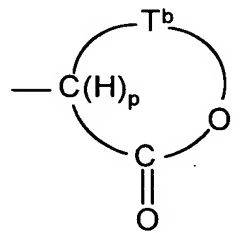
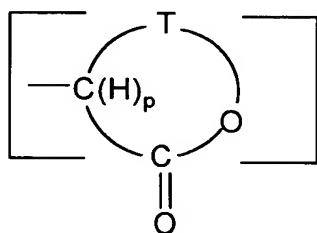
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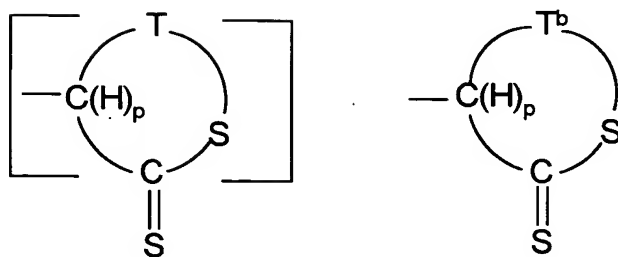
wherein  $p$  is zero or one,  $[T]$   $T^b$  is selected from the group consisting of alkylene, substituted alkylene, alkenylene, substituted alkenylene,  $[-(R^{21}Z)_qR_{21}-$  and  $-ZR^{21}-$  where  $Z]$   $-(R^{21}Z^a)_qR^{21}-$  and  $-Z^aR^{21}-$  where  $Z^a$  is a substituent selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S- and  $>NR^{20}$ , each  $R^{20}$  is independently selected from the group consisting of alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, substituted alkyl, substituted alkenyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic, each  $R^{21}$  is independently alkylene, substituted alkylene, alkenylene and substituted alkenylene with the proviso that when  $[Z]$   $Z^a$  is -O- or -S-, any unsaturation in the alkenylene and substituted alkenylene does not involve participation of the -O- or -S-, and  $q$  is an integer of from 1 to 3.

On page 92, second full paragraph starting at line 7 through page 93, line 37,  
replace with:

In another preferred embodiment, the cyclic group defined by W, together with  
-C(H)<sub>p</sub>C(=X)-, forms a ring of the formula:



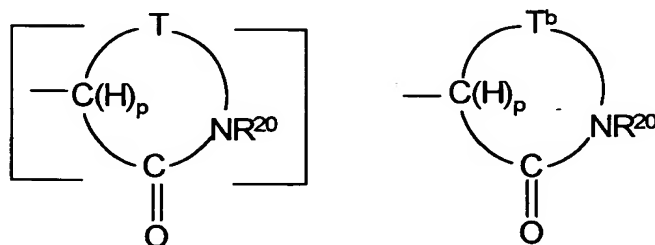
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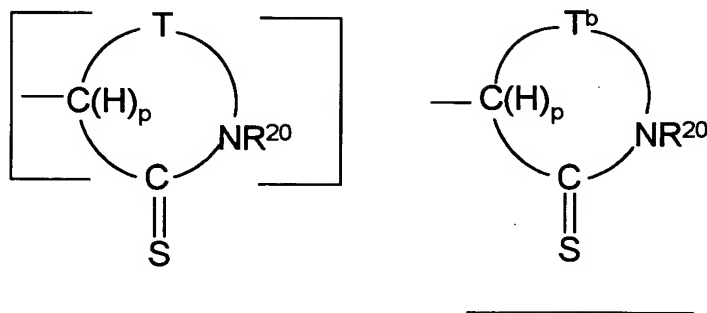
wherein  $p$  is zero or one,  $[T]$   $T^b$  is selected from the group consisting of alkylene, substituted alkylene, alkenylene, substituted alkenylene,  $[-(R^{21}Z)_qR_{21}-$  and  $-ZR^{21}-$  where  $Z]$   $-(R^{21}Z^a)_qR^{21}-$  and  $-Z^aR^{21}-$  where  $Z^a$  is a substituent selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S- and  $>NR^{20}$ , each  $R^{20}$  is independently selected from the group consisting of alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, substituted alkyl, substituted alkenyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic, each  $R^{21}$  is independently alkylene, substituted alkylene, alkenylene and substituted alkenylene with the proviso that when  $[Z]$   $Z^a$  is -O- or -S-, any unsaturation in the alkenylene and substituted alkenylene does not involve participation of the -O- or -S-, and  $q$  is an integer of from 1 to 3.

On page 94, second full paragraph, starting on line 20 through page 95, line 30, replace with:

In another preferred embodiment, the cyclic group defined by W and  $-C(H)_pC(=X)-$ , forms a lactam ring of the formula:



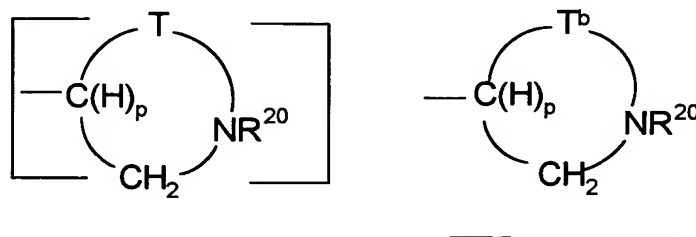
or a thiolactam ring of the formula:



wherein  $p$  is zero or one,  $[T]$   $T^b$  is selected from the group consisting of alkylene, substituted alkylene, alkenylene, substituted alkenylene,  $[-(R^{21}Z)_qR^{21}-$  and  $-ZR^{21}-$  where  $Z]$   $-(R^{21}Z^a)_qR^{21}-$  and  $-Z^aR^{21}-$  where  $Z^a$  is a substituent selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S- and  $>NR^{20}$ , each  $R^{20}$  is independently selected from the group consisting of alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, substituted alkyl, substituted alkenyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic, each  $R^{21}$  is independently alkylene, substituted alkylene, alkenylene and substituted alkenylene with the proviso that when  $[Z]$   $Z^a$  is -O- or -S-, any unsaturation in the alkenylene and substituted alkenylene does not involve participation of the -O- or -S-, and  $q$  is an integer of from 1 to 3.

On page 99, first paragraph on lines 1-22, replace with:

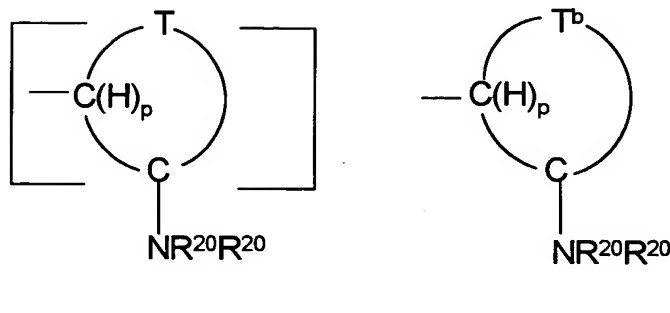
In another preferred embodiment, the cyclic group defined by W, together with  $-\text{C}(\text{H})_p\text{C}(=\text{X})-$ , forms a ring of the formula:



wherein  $p$  is zero or one,  $[\text{T}] \text{ T}^b$  is selected from the group consisting of alkylene, substituted alkylene, alkenylene, substituted alkenylene,  $[-(\text{R}^{21}\text{Z})_q\text{R}^{21}-$  and  $-\text{ZR}^{21}-$  where  $\text{Z}$  is  $-(\text{R}^{21}\text{Z}^a)_q\text{R}^{21}-$  and  $-\text{Z}^a\text{R}^{21}-$  where  $\text{Z}^a$  is a substituent selected from the group consisting of  $-\text{O}-$ ,  $-\text{S}-$  and  $>\text{NR}^{20}$ , each  $\text{R}^{20}$  is independently selected from the group consisting of alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, substituted alkyl, substituted alkenyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic, each  $\text{R}^{21}$  is independently alkylene, substituted alkylene, alkenylene and substituted alkenylene with the proviso that when  $[\text{Z}] \text{ Z}^a$  is  $-\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , any unsaturation in the alkenylene and substituted alkenylene does not involve participation of the  $-\text{O}-$  or  $-\text{S}-$ , and  $q$  is an integer of from 1 to 3.

On page 99, second full paragraph starting at line 24 through page 100, line 10, replace with:

A still further preferred embodiment is directed to a ring group defined by W, together with  $-\text{C}(\text{H})_p\text{C}(=\text{X})-$ , of the formula:



wherein  $p$  is zero or one,  $[T]$   $T^b$  is selected from the group consisting of alkylene, substituted alkylene, alkenylene, substituted alkenylene,  $[-(R^{21}Z)_qR_{21}-$  and  $-ZR^{21}-$  where  $Z]$   $-(R^{21}Z^a)_qR^{21}-$  and  $-Z^aR^{21}-$  where  $Z^a$  is a substituent selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S- and  $>NR^{20}$ , each  $R^{20}$  is independently selected from the group consisting of alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, substituted alkyl, substituted alkenyl, substituted alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic, each  $R^{21}$  is independently alkylene, substituted alkylene, alkenylene and substituted alkenylene with the proviso that when  $[Z]$   $Z^a$  is -O- or -S-, any unsaturation in the alkenylene and substituted alkenylene does not involve participation of the -O- or -S-, and  $q$  is an integer of from 1 to 3.

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Unless otherwise constrained by the definition for the aryl substituent, such aryl groups can optionally be substituted with from [1 to 5 substituents selected from the group consisting of acyloxy,] 1 to 5, and preferably 1 to 3, substituents selected from the group consisting of hydroxy, acyl, acyloxy, alkyl, alkoxy, alkenyl, alkynyl, substituted alkyl, substituted alkoxy, substituted alkenyl, substituted alkynyl, amino, aminoacyl, acylamino, alkaryl, aryl, aryloxy, azido, carboxyl, carboxylalkyl, cyano, halo, nitro, heteroaryl, heterocyclic, aminoacyloxy, oxyacylamino, thioalkoxy, substituted thioalkoxy, thioaryloxy, thioheteroaryloxy, -SO-alkyl, -SO-substituted alkyl, -SO-aryl, -SO-heteroaryl, -SO<sub>2</sub>-alkyl, -SO<sub>2</sub>-substituted alkyl, -SO<sub>2</sub>-aryl, -SO<sub>2</sub>-heteroaryl, trihalomethyl, mono- and di-alkylamino,



mono- and di-(substituted alkyl)amino, mono- and di-arylamino, mono- and di-heteroarylamino, mono- and di-heterocyclic amino, and unsymmetric di-substituted amines having different substituents selected from alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl and heterocyclic, and the like. Preferred substituents include alkyl, alkoxy, halo, cyano, nitro, trihalomethyl, and thioalkoxy.

Please replace page 597 of Table 7C with the section of the table below:

Example No.	Compound	Starting Material 1	Starting Material 2	General Procedure	MS
7C-214	5-{N'-(dl-mandelyl)-L-alaninyl}-amino-7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one	dl-mandelic acid or dl-alpha-hydroxyphenylacetic acid (Aldrich)	5-(L-alaninyl)-amino-7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one	C-P	444.2
7C-215	5-{N'-(p-chloromandelyl)-L-alaninyl}-amino-7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one	p-chloromandelic acid (Acros)	5-(L-alaninyl)-amino-7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one	C-P	444.2, 478.1
7C-216	5-{N'-(1-alpha-hydroxyisocaproyl)-L-alaninyl}-amino-7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one	1-alpha-hydroxyisocaproic acid (Aldrich)	5-(L-alaninyl)-amino-7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one	C-P	424.2
7C-217	5-{N'-(4-bromomandelyl)-L-alaninyl}-amino-7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one	4-bromomandelic acid (Aldrich)	5-(L-alaninyl)-amino-7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one	C-P	522.1, 524.1
7C-218	5-{N'-(1-(+)-lactyl)-L-alaninyl}-amino-7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one	1-(+)-lactic acid (Sigma)	5-(L-alaninyl)-amino-7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one	C-P	382.2, 454.2
7C-219	5-{N'-(d-3-phenylacetyl)-L-alaninyl}-amino-7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one	d-3-phenylacetic acid (Aldrich)	5-(L-alaninyl)-amino-7-methyl-5,7-dihydro-6H-dibenz[b,d]azepin-6-one	C-P	458.2